

REMARKS

Claims 1, 6, 9-16, and 20 are amended. Claim 7 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter is added by these amendments. The amendments are supported, by way of example and not limitation, by page 8, lines 24-28 and page 10, lines 17-23 of applicant's specification; and by Fig. 2, elements 205, 210, 215, and 220. Claims 1-6 and 8-20 are pending. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all claims in view of the amendments above and the remarks that follow.

Claim Objections

Claim 20 is objected to because "based a sort rule on line 2 of claim 20 is grammatically awkward." Claim 20 is amended to recite "based on a sort rule."

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 101

Claims 11-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because "signal-bearing medium in accordance with applicant's specification, may be an electromagnetic signal." Claims 11-15 amended to recite a storage medium, which is statutory subject matter.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102

Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being unpatentable over Gegner (WO 2003/104966 A3). Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are patentable over the Gegner because all of the elements of the claims are not taught or suggested by the Gegner for the reasons argued below.

Claim 1 recites: "selecting a subset of a first plurality of data objects ...; copying the subset to a peek view; and replacing the first plurality of data objects in the main view with a second plurality of data objects, wherein the second plurality of data objects are different from the first plurality of data objects." Since claim 1 recites that the subset is copied from the first plurality of data objects and the second plurality of data objects are different from the first plurality of data objects, once the first plurality of data objects

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have been replaced, the subset in the peek view is different from the second plurality of data objects in the main view.

In contrast, in Gegner, the left-hand side of Fig. 5 (which the Office Action relies on for a peek view) is identical to a portion of the right-hand side of Fig. 5 (which the Office Action relies on for a main view). Thus, the right-hand side of Fig. 5 was not replaced by different data objects, so Gegner does not teach or suggest "replacing the first plurality of data objects in the main view with a second plurality of data objects, wherein the second plurality of data objects are different from the first plurality of data objects," as recited in claim 1.

Independent claims 6, 11, and 16 include similar elements as argued above for claim 1 and are patentable over the references for similar reasons. Claims 2-5, 8-10, 12-15, and 17-20 are dependent on claims 1, 6, 11, and 16, respectively, and are patentable for the reasons argued above, plus the elements in the claims.

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Conclusion

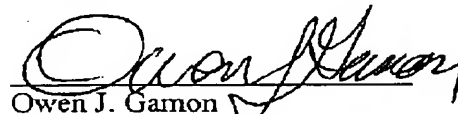
Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (651-645-7135) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

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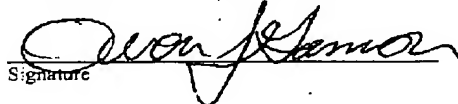

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